

CLAIMS:

1. A furniture glide comprising an upper portion for receiving a furniture leg and a lower portion defining a smooth sliding surface, wherein
5 the lower portion consists of an elastomeric material.

2. The furniture glide of claim 1, wherein the elastomeric material is polyurethane.

10 3. The furniture glide of claim 1, wherein the elastomeric material is thermoplastic.

4. The furniture glide of claim 1, wherein the elastomer has a Shore D hardness in the range of 50-60.

15 5. The furniture glide of claim 2, wherein the polyurethane is a pellethane thermoplastic polyurethane elastomer.

20 6. The furniture glide of claim 2, wherein the polyurethane is a polyester polycaprolactone resin.

7. The furniture glide of claim 2, wherein the elastomer has a Shore D hardness of about 55.

25 8. A glide for a furniture leg, comprising: a ferrule including a bottom wall, an upstanding cylindrical side wall extending from the bottom wall and defining a socket for receiving a furniture leg, and clip means within the socket, for engaging a received furniture leg; a glide support shell connected to the ferrule; and a glide base affixed to the support shell and

defining a substantially flat sliding surface, wherein said sliding surface is an elastomer.

9. The glide of claim 8, wherein the sliding surface is
5 polyurethane.

10. The glide of claim 8, wherein the glide shell is substantially frustoconical and includes a lower circular rim, and the glide base is of uniform composition and substantially circular with an upstanding annular
10 rim that is captured within said lower circular rim.

11. The glide of claim 8, wherein the glide base has a body of one material affixed to the glide shell and said sliding surface is an elastomer material integral with the body.

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12. The glide of claim 8, wherein the elastomer has a hardness in the range of 50-60 Shore D.

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13. The glide of claim 9, wherein the polyurethane is a thermoplastic polyurethane having a Shore D hardness of about 55.

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14. The glide of claim 10, wherein the support shell is pivotally connected to the ferrule at a central pivot connection and the glide base has a central post at the pivot connection that provides a vertical bearing surface for vertical force transmitted from the received leg through said ferrule, to said pivot connection.

15. A furniture glide base having a substantially circular sliding surface that is of elastomeric material.

16. The glide base of claim 15, wherein the sliding surface is polyurethane.

5 17. The glide base of claim 15, wherein the elastomeric material has a Shore D hardness in the range of 50-60.

18. The glide base of claim 16, wherein the polyurethane is a thermoplastic polyurethane having a hardness of about 55 Shore D.

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19. The glide base of claim 15, wherein the base has an annular rim portion extending obliquely upward from the periphery of the circular sliding surface to a first elevation, and central post extending vertically upward from the center of the base, to a higher elevation.

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20. The glide base of claim 15, wherein the post has an upper end that forms a spherical surface.

21. The glide base of claim 15, wherein the base has an annular
20 rim portion extending upward from the periphery of the circular sliding surface.